

Endangered Species of California's Sierra Nevada

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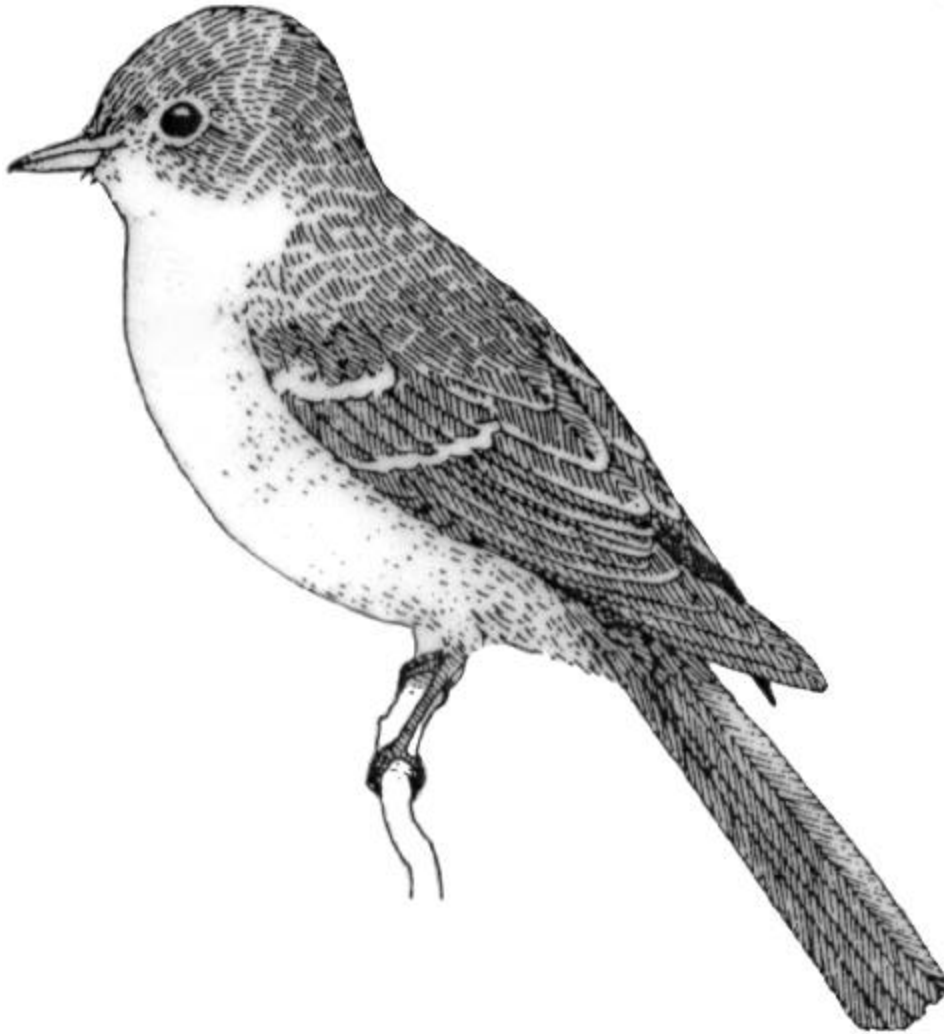


California bighorn sheep



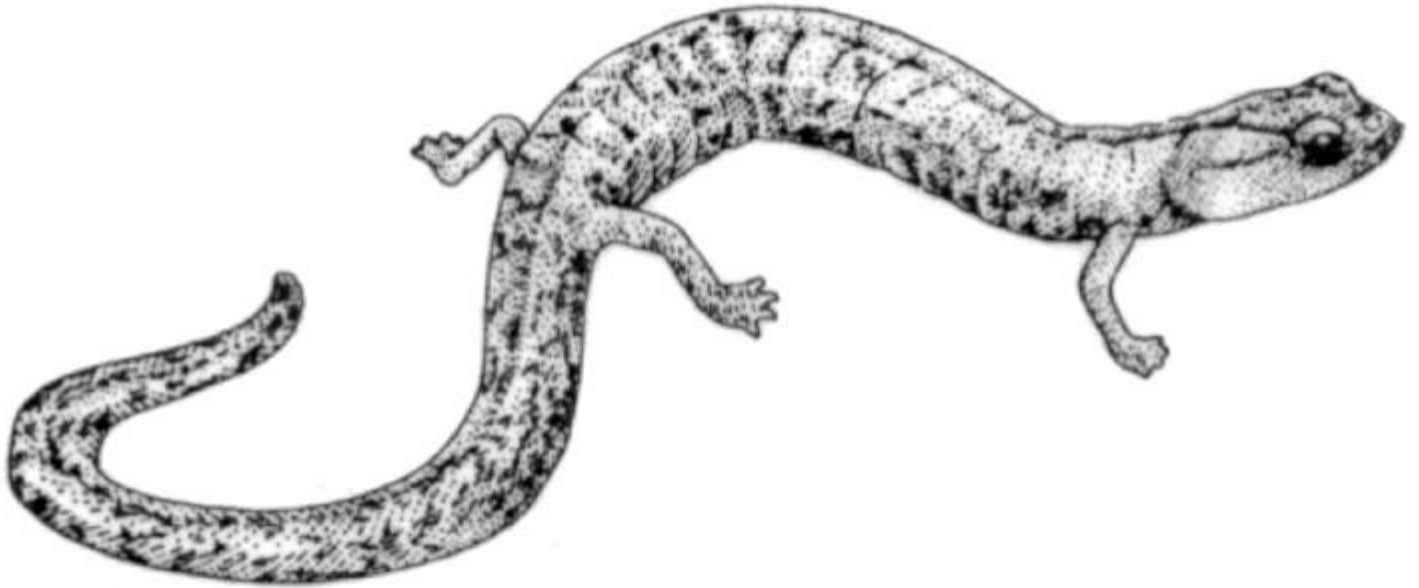
This sheep lives in the rugged mountain slopes of the eastern Sierra Nevada in Inyo and Mono counties. It roams from its winter range below 6000 feet up to summer grazing lands as high as 14,000 feet. Adults can be almost four feet tall and weigh 200 pounds.

Willow Flycatcher



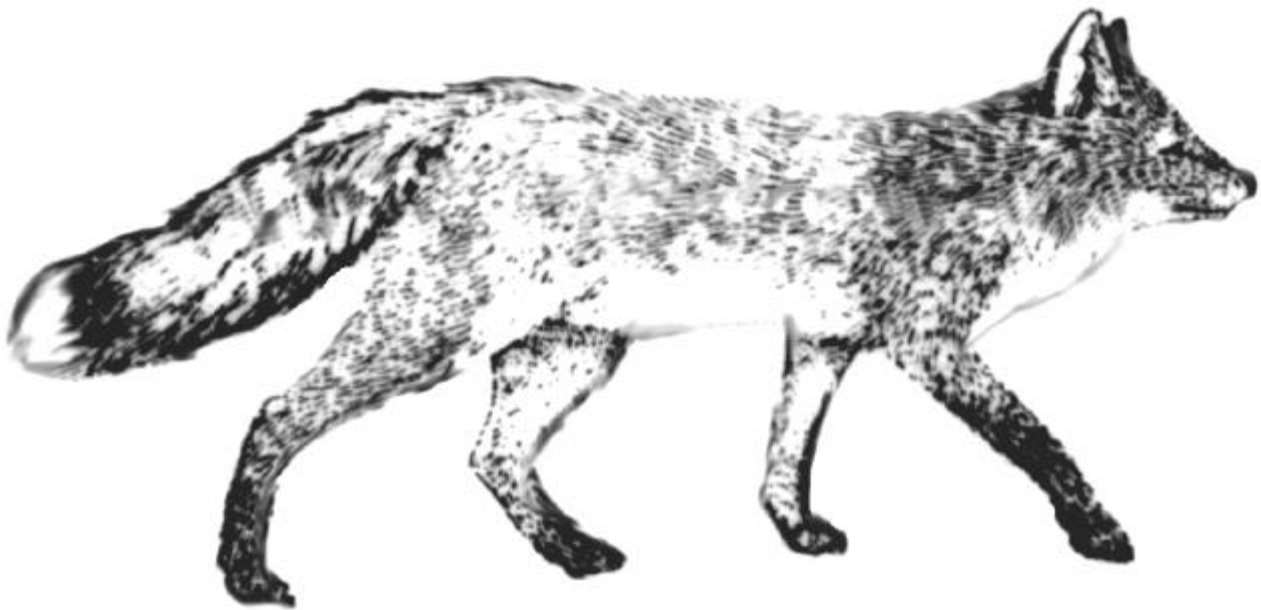
This sparrow-sized songbird lives in isolated meadows of the Sierra Nevada and streamside forests of southern coastal California. It winters in Central and South America.

Kern Canyon slender salamander



This small salamander, only five inches long, lives only in the Kern River Canyon in Kern County. It's slender form allows it to move through termite tunnels and earthworm burrows in search of food, passages that are too small for other, larger salamanders.

Sierra Nevada red fox



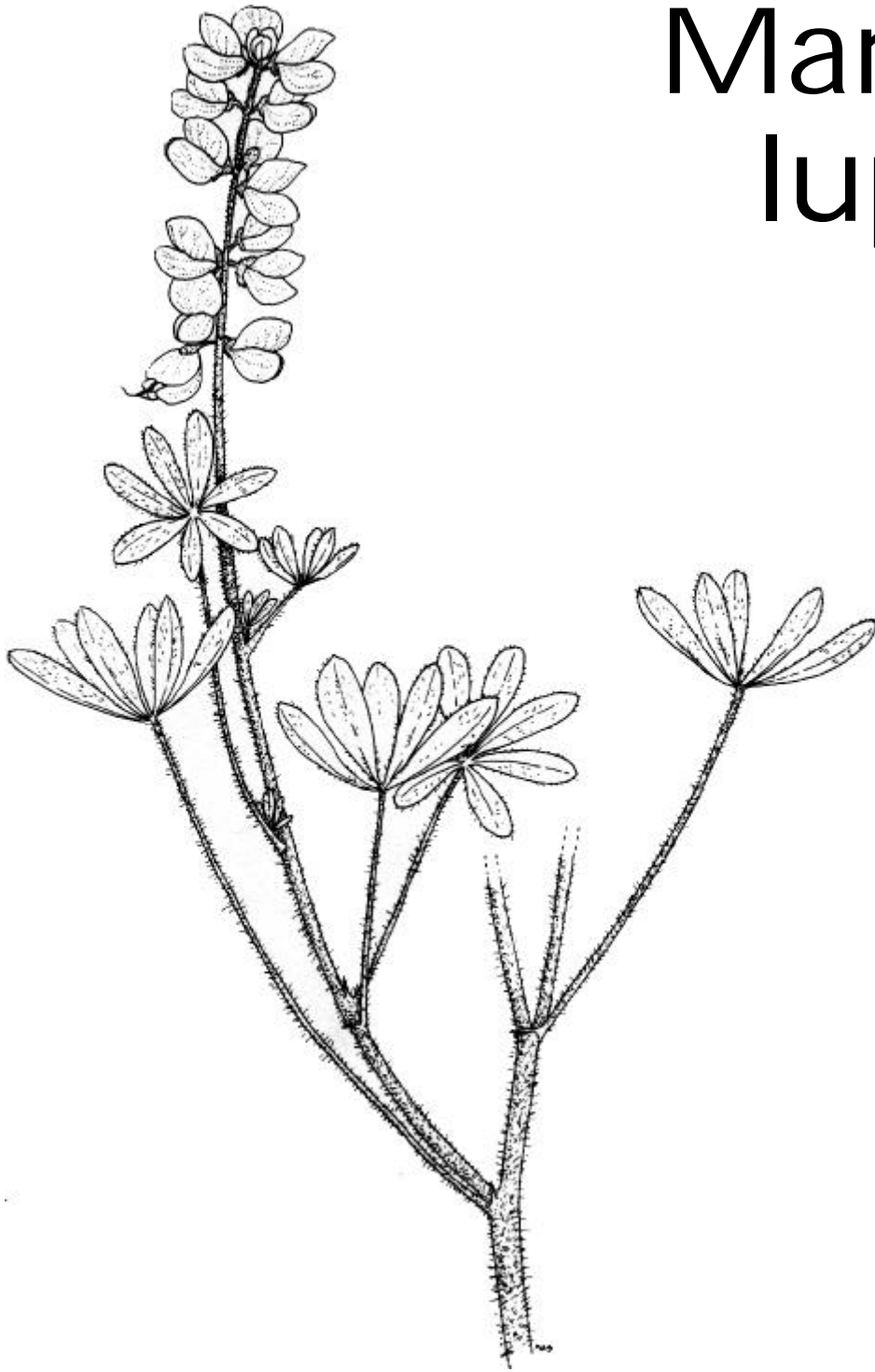
This fox lives in the high elevation forests and grasslands of the Sierra Nevada. It differs from lowland red foxes, which have been introduced throughout the state, by its smaller size and darker colored fur. It is active throughout the year, hunting day or night for small or medium-sized mammals.

Stebbins' morning glory



This plant grows as a vine, with large, funnel-shaped, white flowers. It's leaves are very distinctive, looking like hands with up to seven or nine fingerlike lobes. It grows in clearings among chaparral on red clay (gabbro) or serpentine soils in El Dorado and Nevada counties.

Mariposa lupine



This member of the pea family has long spikes of white or pinkish flowers. It is known from only six locations in Mariposa County, where it grows in foothill woodlands.

Wolverine



This member of the weasel family resembles a small, short bear and can weigh 35 to 60 pounds. It ranges over great distances, through many different habitats. Large undisturbed roadless areas may be important to its survival. Sightings in California are very rare and it is difficult to know how many still exist in the state.

Great gray owl



This owl has the longest body and largest wingspan (five feet) of any owl in North America. It lives in or near meadows surrounded by red firs and other conifer trees in the central Sierra Nevada. Its hearing is so good that it can track mice moving under a foot of snow! These owls can live up to 40 years of age.